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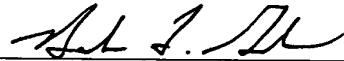
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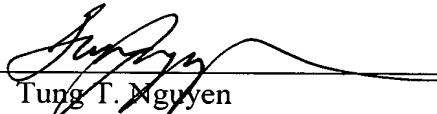
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- (1) Oda, U.S. Patent No. 5,528,291, issued June 18, 1996.

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